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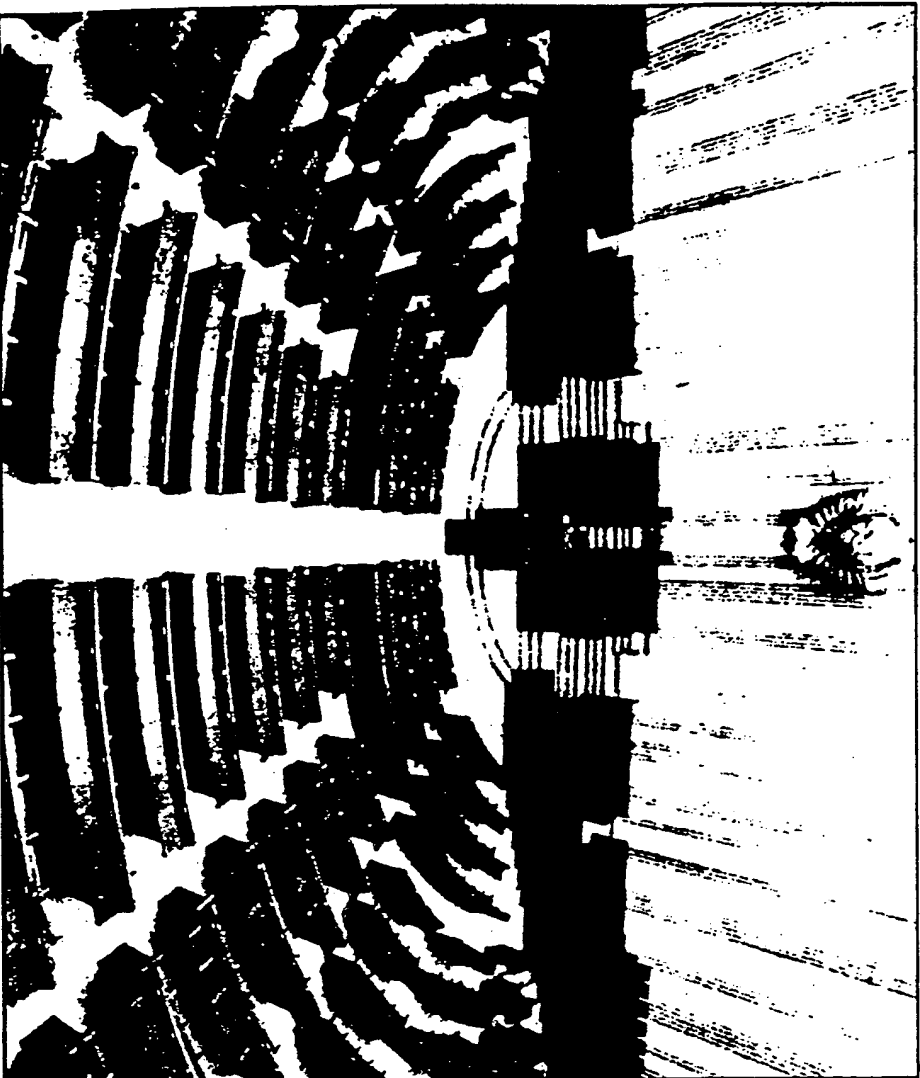
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Congress of USSR

The Congress of USSR People's Deputies (C) its 2,250 members are elected every five years. Fifty popular vote: 750 from electoral districts determine equally among the USSR's administrative subdivisions all-union public organizations such as the CPSU for electing the Supreme Soviet and its chairman,

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Elected by and from among the members of Supreme Soviet in May 1989 became the first state members are divided into two houses: the Council. The Supreme Soviet is scheduled to meet twice a session lasting approximately three to four months appointments, form the defense council, assist in monitor resolutions and orders of national and the Supreme Soviet will be replaced annually.

Chairman M
First Deputy Chairman A

Presidium of the U

As chairman of the USSR Supreme Soviet, there are the following other ex officio members: Soviet, the 15 deputy chairmen (each is the chairman of both councils, and the chairmen of the 22 Supreme Accountable to the Supreme Soviet, the Presidium can also issue decrees and awards, appoint or re-

People's Deputies

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**ail Sergeyevich Gorbachev
oliy Ivanovich Luk'yanov**

SR Supreme Soviet

Yubachev also heads the Presidium; in addition, the First Deputy Chairman of the USSR Supreme Soviet (the republic supreme soviet), the chairmen of various standing committees and commissions, perform a variety of administrative functions. It includes diplomatic officials, and grant pardons.

Advisers to the Chairman

Although they are not part of the formal apparatus, the chairman's advisers provide him with close policy support.

**Sergey Fedorovich Akhromeyev
Anatoliy Fedorovich Dobrynin
Vadim Valentinovich Zagladin**

Council of the Union

Representation in the Council of the Union is allotted on the basis of population. In most cases, each of the 271 deputies ostensibly represents a territorial district of approximately 257,000 voters. In practice, however, these numbers vary from around 139,000 to over 379,000. The deputies who were originally elected to the CPD from social organizations represent their groups rather than territorial districts. The Council is responsible for all-union matters such as the economy, legal rights, foreign policy, and national security.

<i>Chairman</i>	Yevgeniy Maksimovich Primakov
<i>Deputy Chairmen</i>	Bayan Seilkhanovna Isakova Aleksandr Aleksandrovich Mokanu

Commissions

The membership of each of the four commissions of the Council of the Union is split equally between Council of the Union deputies and Congress deputies who are not currently serving on the Supreme Soviet.

Industry, Energy, Machinery, and Technology Development Commission	Planning, Budget, and Finance Commission
<i>Chairman</i> Vladimir Yegorovich Kurashin	<i>Chairman</i> Viktor Grigoryevich Kucherenko
Labor, Prices, and Social Policy Commission	Transportation, Communications, and Information Technology Commission
<i>Chairman</i> Nikolay Nikolayevich Gritsenko	<i>Chairman</i> Valentin Afanasyevich Tetenov

Joint Com the USSR St

There are 14 joint standing committees in the responsibilities for ministries, and all nominees for to appear before the appropriate committee for all commissions, 50 percent of the committees' menl currently serve on the Supreme Soviet. Supreme S. other 50 percent. Most of the joint committees ha

Agrarian and Food Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Arkady Filimonovich Veprev
Construction and Architecture Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Boris Nikolayevich Yel'tsin
Defense and State Security Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Vladimir Lavrentyevich Lapygin
Ecology and the Rational Use of Natural Resources Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Kakimbek Salykovich Salykov
Economic Reform Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Valentin Mikhaylovich Vologzhin
Glasnost and Citizens' Rights and Appeals Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Vladimir Konstantinovich Foteyev
Health Committee	<i>Chairman</i> Yuriy Ivanovich Borodin
International Affairs Committee	<i>Acting Chairman</i> Aleksandr Sergeyevich Dzasokhov

Committees of the Supreme Soviet

the USSR Supreme Soviet. Many have oversight powers over ministerial appointments are required by law. As is the case with the Councils' composition consists of Congress deputies who do not at deputies from both Councils make up the subcommittees that cover more specific topics.

Legislation, Legality, and Law and Order Committee

Chairman Sergey Sergeyevich Alekseyev

Science, Education, Culture, and Upbringing Committee

Chairman Yuriy Alekseyevich Ryzhov

Soviet of People's Deputies and Management and Self-Management Development Committee

Chairman Nikolay Dmitriyevich Pivovarov

Veteran and Invalid Affairs Committee

Chairman Nikolay Vasil'yevich Bosenko

Women's Affairs and Family, Mother, and Child Protection Committee

Chairman Valentina Ivanovna Matviyenko

Youth Affairs Committee

Chairman Valeriy Ivanovich Tsybukh

Council of Nationalities

Representation in the Council of Nationalities is allocated on a regional basis. The 271 members are responsible primarily for interethnic issues. Each union republic is guaranteed seven representatives, each autonomous republic four, each autonomous oblast two, and each autonomous okrug one. The remainder are deputies who represent the social organizations that elected them to the CPD.

Chairman Rafik Nishanovich Nishanov
Deputy Chairman Ilmar Olgertovich Bisher
Boris Il'ich Oleynik

Commissions

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Consumer Goods; Trade; and Municipal, Consumer, and Other Services Commission

Chairman Gennadiy Nikolayevich Kiselev

Culture, Language, National and International Traditions, and Protection of Historical Heritage Commission

Chairman Chingiz Aytmatov

Nationalities Policy and Interethnic Relations Commission

Chairman Georgiy Stanislavovich Tarazevich

Social and Economic Development of Union and Autonomous Republics, Oblasts, and Okrugs Commission

Chairman Eduardas Ionovich Vilkas